Comes to the priuy coſter of the State,
And the offenders life lies in the mercy
Of the Duke onely, gainſt all other voyce.
In which predicament I ſay, thou ſtandſt:
For it appeares by manifeſt proceeding,
That indirectly, and directly to
Thou haſt contriued gainſt the very life
Of the defendant: and thou haſt incurd
The danger formerly by me rehearſt.
Downe therefore, and beg mercy of the Duke.
Gra. Beg that thou maiſt haue leaue to hang thy ſelf,
And yet thy wealth being forfeit to the ſtate,
Thou haſt not left the value of a cord,
Therefore thou muſt be hangd at the States charge.
Duke. That thou ſhalt ſee the diffrence of our ſpirits,
I pardon thee thy life before thou aske it:
For halfe thy wealth, it is *Anthonios*,
The other halfe comes to the generall State,
Which humbleneſſe may driue vnto a fine.
Por. I for the ſtate, not for *Anthonio*.
Shy. Nay, take my life and all, pardon not that,
You take my houſe, when you do take the prop
That doth ſuſtaine my houſe: you take my life
When you do take the meanes wherby I liue.
Por. What mercy can you render him, *Anthonio*?
Gra. A halter gratis, nothing elſe for Gods ſake.
An. So pleaſe my Lord the Duke, & all the Court,
To quit the fine for one halfe of his goods,
I am content; ſo he will let me haue
The other halfe in vſe, to render it
Vpon his death vnto the Gentleman
That lately ſtole his daughter.
Two things prouided more, that for this fauour
He preſently become a Chriſtian:
The other, that he do record a gift
Heere in the Court, of all he dies poſſeſt

Vnto his ſonne *Lorenzo* and his daughter.
Duke. He ſhall do this, or elſe I do recant
The pardon that I late pronounced heere.
Por. Art thou contented Iew? what doſt thou ſay?
Shy. I am content.
Por. Clearke, draw a deed of gift.
Shy. I pray you giue me leaue to go from hence,
I am not well, ſend the deed after me,
And I will ſigne it.
Duke. Get thee gone, but do it.
Gra. In chriſtning ſhalt thou haue two Godfathers,
Had I bene iudge, thou ſhouldſt haue had ten more,
To bring thee to the gallowes, not the Font.
Exit.
Duke. Sir, I intreate you home with me dinner.
Por. I humbly deſire your Grace of pardon,
I muſt away this night toward *Padua*,
And it is meete I preſently ſet forth.
Duke. I am ſorry that your leyſure ſerues you not.
Anthonio, gratifie this gentleman,
For in my minde you are much bound to him.
Exit Duke and his traine.

Baſſ. Moſt worthy gentleman, I and my friend
Haue by your wiſedome bene this day acquited
Of greeuous penalties, in lew whereof,
Three thouſand ducats due vnto the Iew,
We freely cope your courteous paines withall.
Ant. And ſtand indebted ouer and aboue
In loue and ſeruice to you euermore.
Por. He is well paid, that is well ſatisfied,
And I deliuering you, am ſatisfied,
And therein do account my ſelfe well paid,
My minde was neuer yet more mercinary.
I pray you know me when we meete againe,
I wiſh you well, and ſo I take my leaue.